Samridhi Yojana (JGSY) with the primary objective of creation of demand driven community village infrastructure including durable assets at the village level and assets to enable the rural poor to increase the opportunities for sustained employment. Its secondary objective is generation of supplementary employment for the unemployed poor in the rural areas. The wage employment under the programme is given to Below Poverty Lines (BPL) families.

From 1.12.1997, Swarna Jayanti Sahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) is the main poverty alleviation programme in the urban areas. The SJSRY, which has subsumed all the earlier three urban poverty alleviation programmes, *viz.*, Nehru Rozgar Yojana (NRY), Urban Basic Services for the Poor (UBSP), Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMIUPEP), seeks to provide gainful employment to unemployed or underemployed urban and educated up to IX standard for setting up self employment ventures or provision of wage employment. The implementation of SJSRY is relying on suitable community structures on the UBSP pattern and delivery of inputs under this programme is through the medium of Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) and such community structure.

Reconstitution of Hindi Salahakar Samiti

2971. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) when the Hindi Salahakar Samiti was reconstituted recently in his Ministry;

(b) the number of sittings of the Samiti held during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the efforts made to conduct its meetings regularly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) A Joint Hindi Salahakar Samiti of Ministry of Planning and Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation was reconstituted *vide* Planning Commission's Resolution No. E-11015/1/98-Hindi, dated 26th June, 2000.

(b) After its reconstitution, one meeting was held on 25.9.2000. During the years 1998 & 1999, no meeting was held as the Samiti was not in existence at that time.

(c) Decision has been taken to conduct its meetings regularly and Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation will be convening the next meeting at an early date.

Hindi Translators/Officers in Ministry of Planning

2972. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts of Hindi Translators/Hindi Officers/ Assistants created in his Ministry and allied PSUs/Attached and Subordinate offices for propagation of Hindi as official language and encouragement of Hindi Correspondences;

(b) the number of such posts lying vacant and since when; and

(c) the reasons therefor, and the steps taken to fill up such vacancies urgently?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) The following posts are sanctioned to the Planning Commission for the propagation of Hindi as the official language and encouragement of Hindi Correspondence:—

Deputy Director ——01

Assistant Director ——01

Senior Hindi Translator ——02

Junior Hindi Translator ——06

The Commission does not have any allied PSU/Attached/ Subordinate Office.

(b) Two posts of Junior Hindi Translators are vacant since September, 1997 and February, 1999. Persons are already in position against the remaining eight posts.